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Conscriptive Service Takes 52 More of County's Boys

Forty per cent, or 52 men of Medina county's selective draft quota left for Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Thursday morning from Wadsworth.

All of the Medina county men who passed the first physical examination were called to report this week, and all who had not been exempted, or who had not filed exemption claims with the district board, were notified to hold themselves in readiness to go on a 24-hour notice. By order of Gov. Cox, the 52 men are composed entirely of whites.

Following are the names of the 52 men who departed Thursday morning:

As we go to press the exact amount of the gate receipts had not been figured up, but it was estimated they would fall about \$200 short of last year's receipts, which were \$2,000 for the first day and \$600 the last.

1546—S. L. FUNK, Medina.
1570—FRANK LUTZ, Medina.
1574—JOHN MITCHELL, Medina.
760—ROBERT HARDING Medina, O.
923—CARL BARTHOLOMEY, Medina.
1585—JOHN W. PYCROFT, Medina.
1635—WALTER ULMER, Medina.

437—John E. Wisselgreen, Lodi.
1763—Wm. E. Yost, Erhart.
1014—Ellis J. Schario, Sharon Center.
1178—John Postak, Wadsworth.
797—Elva C. Buchanan, Seville.
1779—Tarence J. Curtice, Spencer.
1103—Robert Horner, Wadsworth.
606—Clayton D. O. Wiles, Medina, Rt. 5.

602—Frank Vilk, Medina, Rt. 5.
721—Joe Reising, Valley City.
972—Wm. H. Myers, Sharon Center.
757—Raymond A. Ganyard, Medina, Rt. 7.
542—Arthur L. Wellington, Spencer.
1300—Leslie K. Hartzell, Wadsworth.
675—Arthur W. Glenke, Valley City.
1769—Orval J. Bennett, Spencer.
1306—Frank L. Reimer, Wadsworth.
726—Leo T. Scheffer, Valley City, Rt. 2.

550—Jesse F. Bowman, Medina, Rt. 5.
574—Lloyd Hatfield, Chippewa Lake, Rt. 1.
981—M. E. Hazen, Sharon Center.
1848—Willard G. Cox, Wadsworth.
1509—Clarence Trease, Wadsworth, Rt. 2.

1211—Leroy SanTee, Wadsworth.
1132—H. L. Leibhart, Wadsworth.
1016—Carl C. Caskey, Sharon Center.
1088—Malton T. Trout, Medina, Rt. 1.
1430—Wm. S. Kahl, Wadsworth, Rt. 1.
1500—E. W. Whitman, Lodi.

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BACK JUST IN TIME

Max Sargent, Harold and Neil Roshon and Fred Moehe, members of Co. A, 5th regiment, notice of whose prolonged absence from camp at Berea was noted in last week's Sentinel, and which caused more or less anxiety to their friends, returned on Friday, within the time limit when they would have had to answer to the serious charge of desertion.

The boys say that the good time they were having could not be fully consumed in the short leave of absence usually granted, and that rather than pass up so much and "high-grade pleasure" for the mere possibility of a court-martial or camp penance, was not to be considered by real and red soldier blood.

The boys are squaring things by a little time in the guard house and performing a class of work about camp not the most dignified. Having "danced," they are now compensating the "fiddler."



W. E. CONKLE
New Superintendent of Medina Schools

COUNTY DEPOSITORIES

The following Board of County Commissioners, Messrs. Starr, Vandermark and Towles, at a special meeting last Saturday, announced the following banks as depositories for county money together with the respective amounts and rate of interest for each bank:

The Wadsworth Savings & Trust Co., \$40,000 at 4.36 per cent; \$40,000 at 4.31 per cent; inactive funds.
The Medina County National Bank, \$45,000 at 4.26 per cent; inactive funds.
The Old Phoenix National Bank and the Savings Deposit Bank each bid 1 per cent for \$50,000 of active funds; to whom the money was awarded.

Monday morning the deposits of county money in the three local banks was as follows: Old Phoenix, \$13,377.81; Savings Deposit Bank, \$13,103.39; Medina County National, \$15,714.55, active funds; the same, inactive, \$42,242.54; \$42,284.10; \$42,282.10. Monday afternoon County Treasurer Frank withdrew \$40,000 each from the Old Phoenix and Savings Deposit Banks and transferred it to the Wadsworth bank.

KEEP SCHOOLS RUNNING SAYS OHIO HEALTH BOARD

Owing to the continued uneasiness regarding infantile paralysis felt by people generally throughout the county, County Supt. Jenks called up the State Board of Health Tuesday and talked with the secretary of that body, James E. Bauman.

The advice of the State Board of Health is that schools be kept running, even though there may be cases of the disease in the community. All known cases of the disease should be quarantined and the patient isolated from other children in the family. All children who have been exposed to the disease should be quarantined, that is, kept upon their own premises and not be allowed to mingle with other children for a period of two weeks.

Mr. Bauman stated that there is very little, if any, danger of contagion from out-of-door exposure, but there is very grave danger from contact with those having the disease, in doors.

Mr. Bauman also states that since the epidemic of infantile paralysis in New York city last year the disease is better understood than formerly. He also believes the children are safer at school than running about the neighborhood. Parents are urged to see that the children spray their throats and nasal passages frequently with listerine solution, as it is believed that the germs of infantile paralysis are propagated in the throat and nose.

CONFERENCE ASSIGNMENTS

Among the assignments of ministers made at the North-east Ohio conference held at Warren last week, are the following in Medina county:

Medina, S. F. Ross, returned Homer, V. H. Fries; Creston, D. J. Cope; Leroy, G. C. Griffin; Lodi, H. W. Courtney; Seville, B. W. Gardner; Spencer, B. B. Shoemaker, to succeed Dr. Monte, who was transferred to LaGrange, O. Rev. Thompson was also returned to the Granger charge.

Rev. G. W. Orcutt was reappointed superintendent of the Wooster district.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS TAKES MEDINA CHILD

The sympathy of the community is with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Griesinger, 533 South Broadway, in the death of their infant son, William Jacob, which occurred about 1 o'clock last Sunday morning, after a very brief illness from acute anterior poliomyelitis, or what is commonly known as infantile paralysis.

The source from which the child contracted the disease is not known. The mother was recently in West Salem, where a case or two of the disease had been reported a few weeks ago, but the child did not accompany her, and it is not at all certain that the disease was brought from there.

A private funeral was held from the home Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock, conducted by Rev. S. F. Dimmock of the Baptist church, and burial made in Spring Grove cemetery.

Health Officer A. L. Sedgwick fumigated the home and the members of the family before the latter left for the cemetery, and again upon their return.

The rumor which gained considerable currency that a dozen or more persons had entered the Griesinger home Sunday morning following the death of the child, is flatly denied by Mrs. Griesinger, who declares that there were only two persons, relatives, in the house, and they have remained at home since.

No post mortem was held. The house was placed under quarantine, but released from it soon afterward, a somewhat unusual proceeding in a matter of such vital importance to the community.

DEATH SUDDEN TO FORMER MEDINA MAN

His many old Medina friends will regret to learn of the death of John Schmitt, for nearly forty years a resident of Medina, which occurred suddenly at his home in Akron, last Sunday night.

Mr. Schmitt worked at his trade of barber on Saturday, and apparently was in good health up to the time of his death. He and Mrs. Schmitt had retired Sunday night and were conversing, when the latter asked her husband a question, receiving no answer. She repeated the question, and receiving no response, soon discovered that her companion had died.

The deceased was engaged in the barber business in Medina for many years.

The body was brought to Medina on Wednesday and interred in Spring Grove cemetery, a brief committal service being conducted by the local K. of P. order, of which the deceased was a member.

There survive the widow, three sons, Charles and George of Akron and Jacob of Wooster, and two married daughters, Elizabeth of Detroit, and Anna of Cleveland.

Mr. Schmitt was about 62 years of age.

FORCIBLE DETENTION CASE FROM HINCKLEY

So far as legal talent was concerned, the case of Mrs. Anna Selepach vs. Elton and Norris Johnson of Hinckley for forcible detention, held before Justice W. P. Ainsworth last Saturday afternoon, would do credit to a murder trial. The plaintiff was represented by Attorneys Arthur VanEpp and Frank Woods and the defendants by Attorneys Keeler of West Salem and A. B. Underwood.

Defendants leased a farm of Mrs. Selepach, of nine acres of wheat ground, with the right, they declare, to harvest wheat sown this fall. Plaintiff claims the agreement was for only the spring crop. Refusal of defendants to vacate the farm was the basis of the suit.

The trial was held in the town hall and ten witnesses examined. The court ruled in favor of the defendants.

POISON PLOT RUMOR A PALPABLE FAKE

Rumors of attempted wholesale poisonings of farm employees by alleged German spies, which have stirred up the whole countryside around Bath, were denied Tuesday by J. Davis, justice of the peace, residing at Bath.

The story was that a tramp was discovered pouring poison over a pan of beans at a farmhouse and that on being forced at the point of the farmer's rifle to eat of them he died almost instantly. Papers said to have been found on him indicated he was a German spy.

The same rumor has been reported from Sharon and Granger, this county, also from Millerburg, Macedonia, and Mansfield, being denied at each place.

AUTO OVER EMBANKMENT

What might have been a serious accident, occurred on Sunday afternoon when an automobile driven by Columbus people rolled over the 16-foot embankment at Holmesbrook Hill, west of Wadsworth.

A broken steering gear caused the trouble as the machine was hitting a 40-mile gait in front of the William Shelby home, and it was hurled thru the fence and into the creek bed beneath.

The occupants were only slightly injured, and the machine, though put out of running order, was able to be towed to Medina for repairs.

There will be a meeting of the colored people of the town Sunday at 2 p. m. in the Baptist church. Rev. C. Martin of Alabama will preach.

R. M. ALBERT LOSES HEAVILY FROM FIRE

A disastrous fire that destroyed a large barn, a new threshing outfit and large quantities of grain, hay and straw, occurred on the farm of County Commissioner R. M. Albert, two miles west of Lodi, at Crawford's Corners, last Friday noon.

The threshing machine, which was bought only six weeks ago and belonged to Henning Bros. of West Salem, was in the barn and with the contents and building, was destroyed. Five hundred bushels of wheat and 800 bushels of oats were burned that had just been threshed. The threshing had been completed and the threshers were cleaning up on the floor when the fire started in the straw stack near the end of the blower. The origin of the fire is not known, but it is believed to have started not from the engine, but from a spark, possibly from a stone or bit of iron that had been struck. The blaze spread very rapidly, and the men were unable to get the threshing machine out of the barn.

The tenant on the farm was Ernest Park, who had a half interest in the hay and grain, and owned the farm implements, all of which were burned. Two stacks of hay also went up in smoke.

The barn was comparatively new and was valued at \$3,000. It belonged to Mr. Albert, and was insured for \$1,500. The threshing machine cost \$300 and was not insured, as such machines are not insurable.

A ROCKER FOR EACH OF OUT-GOING BOARD

A social gathering of all the county officials Monday morning in the County Commissioners' office marked the outgoing of the old board—D. R. Towles, B. J. Vandermark and George Starr, whose second term of office expired last Saturday, and the incoming of the new board—R. M. Albert, A. M. Baughman and Charles Scanlan.

Following the election of their chairman, Mr. Albert, by the board, Prosecuting Attorney Underwood, in behalf of the county officials, presented each of the retiring commissioners with an elegant rocker, in accordance with a custom established by county officials several years ago. Mr. Underwood spoke with feeling of the pleasant relationship existing between himself and the passing board and paid them the compliment of having served the county efficiently and conscientiously.

Mr. Underwood's remarks were followed by kindly expressions from each of the other county house officials, whereupon Mr. Towles, Mr. Vandermark and Mr. Starr expressed briefly their appreciation of the gifts and the friendly sentiment that promoted the bestowal.

The members of the new Board of Commissioners voiced their disposition to serve the county to the best of their ability, and the meeting closed, the commissioners entering at once upon the duties of their office.

STATE HALTS PROPOSED INTERURBAN FARE RAISE

Until 9 o'clock on Friday morning of last week passengers buying tickets at the Cleveland, Southwestern & Columbus depot here paid the increased fare that the company had ordered into effect beginning that day.

At that hour James Newton, the local agent, received a telephone message from the company dispatcher, saying not to sell at the increased rate any longer, as the order had been suspended. Those known to have purchased tickets at the increased rate may secure a refund of the excess amount paid upon request to Agent Newton.

The reason for the sudden change of orders by the railroad company is that the State Utilities Commission intervened at the last moment, in a hearing held at Columbus and ordered a suspension of the plan for thirty days.

In the meantime a hearing will be held next Friday, Sept. 28, to pass on the merits of the proposed advance, which was an increase in fares of half a cent a mile with a minimum charge of 10 cents.

ELYRIA GUM MAN HERE AFTER STORE ROBBERIES

A R. Champney, wholesale chewing gum dealer of Elyria, was in Medina Thursday afternoon, following up what he believed to be a clew to the ones who burglarized his store Tuesday evening to the extent of between \$800 and \$1,000 worth of merchandise.

With Deputy Sheriff Pelton, Champney visited the fair grounds Thursday, where he recognized one of the concessionists as having been in his place of business the afternoon of the robbery, but he lacked sufficient evidence at that time upon which to base an arrest.

WOMAN INJURED BY COLLISION OF RIGS

Mrs. C. W. Chapman of East Liberty street sustained a badly sprained wrist Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in an accident on West Washington street.

She was sitting in a carriage in front of Erb's meat market awaiting her husband, who was inside, when a rig driven by Phil Thompson of Branch Road, collided with the Chapman carriage, upsetting it and throwing Mrs. Chapman to the pave. Drs. Gleason and Damon attended the woman's injury.

Success Crowns End of 72d Annual Medina Fair

At no time in the history of the Medina County Agricultural association has it met with better weather conditions, than for the opening of its 72d annual fair here on Tuesday. The season's crops have been large and the hearts of the farmers beat high in anticipation of unusually fine exhibits and the winning of premiums.

While the association had every reason to expect a successful fair—and it has been a success, yet it fell short of the highest expectation in the way of attendance, on account of the rumor spread broadcast throughout the county that Medina was threatened with an epidemic of infantile paralysis. The basis for the rumor was the case in the home of Alfred Griesinger, whose infant child died from the disease Sunday morning. It is probable that no one would have been endangered by attending the fair, nevertheless many remained at home through fear.

As usual, the first day was devoted to booking entries, and the fair officials were elated at the total number of entries in each department, which was large.

Wednesday the cattle pens were well filled with the largest array of blooded animals ever before exhibited at the fair, according to officials and those who have carefully noted the exhibits of former years.

The same claim may be made of the poultry display. There was nothing lacking in the feather line, the different types being well sustained. In the pet stock shed a normal number of entries were seen. It was also to be noticed that the high cost of living has apparently interested many persons in poultry who never were so interested before.

The general display of farm products was fine and comprehensive and, taken with the individual farm displays, of which there were several, made a very good showing. The whole was attractively arranged.

Art hall housed a beautiful display of cut flowers and potted plants, while the art exhibit, both amateur and professional, including oil and crayon work and pastel, seemed complete.

Manual training and domestic science were represented in a large exhibit.

Local business men who had attractive exhibits in the halls were, Dawson Longacre, furniture, Hammerschmidt & Clark, flowers; M. O. Hallock, pianos and Victrolas; The Barrett Co., fertilizers; Frank Sanford, electric supplies; J. Sargent, furniture; The Medina Sentinel; Ostman's Hardware; Iper, furnaces; Roy Oatman, plumbing; N. O. Fuller, dry goods; Hyde & Garver, shoes; Coddling & Bagley, real estate; R. Hoff, pianos; G. M. Ott, Cleveland, had a piano player display, and Allen & Hartzell of Wadsworth represented their real estate business.

The auto display on the grounds was fully up to last year and was represented as follows: Buick, E. C. Averill, Medina; Ford, R. E. Kimmell, Medina; Overland, Hanshue Bros., Medina; Chevrolet, B. W. Bowman, Medina; Dodge, C. C. Cheeny & Son, Medina; Maxwell and Reo, New Medina Garage, Medina; Oakland, Geo. Gross, Erhart and Medina; Studebaker, Alderfer Bros. Medina; Cadillac and Auburn, H. M. Andrews of Elyria.

Other displays on the grounds were of the DeLaval Separator, E. T. Pierce, Medina; E. E. Wallace, farm implements, Medina; Eaken & Myers, new Ford light, Lodi; Delco Light Products, and the Republic truck. An exhibit that attracted many and was of special interest was that of the State Dairy and Food Commissioner. It occupied two long sections and was exceedingly comprehensive. The Grim Mfg. Co., was represented, and the exhibition of a small farm tractor elicited the attention of large crowds.

As usual there was the Ferris wheel, merry-go-round, baby racks, striking machines, and all the myriad catch-penny contrivances to be found on such an occasion. The number of automobiles parked on the grounds was enormous, comparing favorably with the number last year, which was estimated at about a thousand.

One of the attractive booths was the one occupied by the W. C. T. U. and the "Dry Federation" where literature and the "Dry Buttons" were handed to people as they stopped at the booth. This year another attraction was added to the work, in the way of a "Safety and Efficiency" exhibit. This consisted of object lessons and bottles, showing the percentage of alcohol in beer, wines and whiskey, and lectures on the effect of alcohol in its relation to accidents, efficiency, health and child culture. Large crowds listened to these talks, and appeared especially interested in the microscope, where mounted specimens of hardened arteries, fatty degenerated livers, hobbled livers, granulated kidneys, and so forth, superinduced by alcohol, were shown. This educational method is being used in all the large industries of the state.

Following are the winners in the Girl's Home-making Contest: Margaret Clapp, Chatham School, first; Ruth Swank, Litchfield school, second; Clara Wolf, Mallet Creek school, third. The prizes have not yet been decided upon. Bessie Gallatin and Ada Burrer of Litchfield schools were rated fourth and fifth, for which no prizes had been arranged, but an effort will be made to secure them.

In the pig-growing contest, Niel Nelson of Lafayette school was declared winner, the prize being a trip to Columbus, Farmers' week.

In the poultry contest Herbert Wolf of Mallet Creek won the prize, a trip to Columbus. This contest would have had many more entries had it not been for the fear of infantile paralysis, which kept many boys and girls at home.

Unusual interest was taken in the race events both Wednesday and Thursday, the grand stand being filled to the limit both days. Kirk's Cleveland orchestra adding much zest to the occasion. Following are the results of Wednesday's races:

2:24 Trot
J. G. W. 1 2 1 1
Miss Star 4 1 3 2
Bertha Forbes 7 3 2 5
Jorrocks 5 5 4 3
Lawrence McGregor 6 6 5 4
Teddy Roosevelt 2 4 dr
Time—2:24 3-4; 2:17 1-4; 2:24 1-4; 2:23 1-4.

2:22 Pace
Dillard Blacklock 1 1 1
Jack Burns 3 2 2
Gig H. 2 4 4
Cuban C. 4 3 3
Time—2:19 1-4; 2:19 1-4; 2:23 1-4; 2:23 1-4.

2:19 Trot
Borac 3 1 4 1 1
F. D. S. 1 2 1 2 3
Tramp Boy 2 4 2 3 2
Erma J. 4 3 3 4 4
Time—2:19 1-4; 2:19 1-4; 2:23 1-4; 2:18 1-2; 2:20 3-4.

Thursday's race results:

2:16 Trot
Dan G. 1 1 1
McQuillen 2 2 3
Queen Mac 3 3 4
Dr. Lytle 4 4 2
Time—2:16 1-4; 2:15 1-4; 2:15 1-4.

2:15 Pace
Miss Eagle 1 1 1
Nellie Bly 4 2 2
Uncle Jim 2 4 4
Maggie Wedgewood 3 3 3
Bingo 5 5 5
Time—2:16 1-4; 2:14 1-4; 2:14 1-4.

2:18 Pace
Peter McGregor 1 1 1
Susan Boyd 2 2 2
Mostella 3 3 6
Antwine 4 7 8
Dr. Directly 5 4 3
Belle Earl 6 6 7
Katie Cope 8 5 5
Time—2:16 1-4; 2:15 1-4; 2:16 1-4.

COUNTY PACE
Foxy McGregor 5 3 1 1
Major Holland 1 2 2 2
Sphinx Jr. 3 1 3 4
Maggie F. 2 4 4 3
Black Stratton 4 5 drw.
Time—2:22 1-4; 2:22 1-4; 2:22 1-4; 2:23.

The only accident occurring during the fair occurred Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock, when Edna, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Mabry of Lafayette, was painfully injured by being knocked down by one of the race horses while she was crossing the track. She was with her mother, but ran away from her just as the horse came along. A severe gash was cut in the back of the child's head, and several bruises sustained about the body, but no bones were broken. Drs. H. P. Robinson of Medina and Dr. Street of Litchfield attended the injuries.

Mrs. O. K. Chatfield of Sharon had the misfortune to lose her handbag, containing about \$50 Thursday morning on the grounds had the surprising good fortune of having it restored to her a few hours later. J. S. Coddling of Granger, found it and deposited it at a booth the attendants of which were acquainted with Mrs. Chatfield and knew of her misfortune.

The ball game between Brunswick and Bennett's Corners Thursday, was an exciting one, notwithstanding that the final score was 0 to 0 in 15 innings. The premium was split equally between the two teams.

PINCHED FOR SELLING CHARCOAL LOZENGES

Cora E. Collins of Cleveland has probably sold her last charcoal tablets in Medina, because of the trouble she got into over the few boxes she did dispose of here Tuesday before being placed under arrest by Marshal Hange and escorted to the county jail.

Before Mayor Randall Tuesday afternoon Cora was convicted of peddling without a license and fined \$1 and costs, a total of \$5.35. She protested at length and drew heavily upon her tear ducts, but his Honor was adamant. Cora's refusal to pay after being committed back to jail in default, placed Officer Hange again in the role of escort, only he didn't get a chance to play the role. He tried hard enough and made several sallies toward Cora, but the latter wasn't through talking, and grasped the arm of her chair with all the tenacity of a drowning man to a straw. Finally, upon her promise to mail the amount of the fine and costs to the mayor by Thursday of this week, she was permitted to catch the next car back to the city, while Hange hoped it for home to get the sleep he had been deprived of by the round-up.

Owing to poisoned coast plaster that has been sold in different places, it was thought that Cora's nostrum might possibly be loaded with a potent germ, or some other ingredient equally lethal.

SAYS MILK RAISE IS NO TRUST-LAW VIOLATION

The grand jury of Elyria, which has been probing the advance in milk prices, has reported it has been unable to discover evidence that the law relative to trusts has been violated by the dairy men.

The jury says increased rates are due to pasteurization and the increased cost of production.